



# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

### MAIL STOP/AF

In re Patent Application of

Edward Ydoate et al.

Group Art Unit: 3651

Application No.: 10/770,514

Examiner: Joseph E. Valenza

Filing Date:

Sir:

February 4, 2004

Confirmation No.: 1766

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIVERTING ARTICLES FROM A CONVEYOR

#### AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Enc	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.							
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.							
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$65.00 (2814) \$130.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.							
	Also enclosed is/are							
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.							
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$395.00 (2801) \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).							
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered.  Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.							
	Applicant(s) previously submitted							
	on							
	for which continued examination is requested.							
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.							
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.							

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No additional claim fee is required.
An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

		Α	MEN	1DE	ED CLAIMS				
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Total Claims	16	MINUS	24	=		x	\$50.00	(1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	3	MINUS	5	=	0	×	\$200.00	(1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claim	ns, ad	d \$	360.00 (1203)				
Total Claim Amendment Fee						\$ 0.00			
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee						\$ 0.00			
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0.00			

A check	in the amount of	is enclosed for the fee due
Charge	to Deposit Ad	count No. 02-4800.
Charge	to credit card	d. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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# **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated February 9, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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